**Should people with severe brain damage be kept alive by artificial life support?**

To keep someone who has severe brain damage alive or not is an ethical issue, which has been discussed for a long period for time yet we haven’t solved it. Some people believe that everyone has a right to live, regardless of the chance of coming out of coma. However, miracles do not happen often. In reality, most families can’t afford expensive medical bills. As time goes by, the families feel hopeless that the patient who is artificial alive, without any consciousness. Therefore, the patient who has severe brain damage will be allowed to move artificial survived equipment, and die naturally.

As we all know, the person who has serious brain damages is unlikely come out of coma. Even though his or her body exists, including the majority of the organisms inside the body that are still working, the brain doesn’t function at all. The major difference between the humans and other animals is the ability to think. So it is meaningless to keep someone, whose brain is totally dead, alive. In addition, for the terminal patient who receive intolerant treatments, living is even hard than the death.

Also, as I already mentioned, the costly medical bills are a heavy burden to the family. The reality of life is cruel. It costs at least $500 per night stay in a hospital room and at least $ 300 per day to receive the treatments. Even worse, the nurses cannot take good care of the patient. So the family has to set up a schedule to look after the patient. Unfortunately, one of family members might not able to keep the job because frequently absent from work. The pressure from financial issues will drag the family into the darkness. At the end of the period, the patient neither wake up, nor the family feel happy.

In addition, it is very painful for the family to see the loved one every day, who is in coma. Because when the family sees the patient, they recall all the enjoyable memories they had. Their moods are grieved. Meanwhile, even though the family wants to keep the patient alive, the reality of the situation doesn’t allow it. Those vary factors tremendously affect all the family member including the patient. Their memory for the patient are unlikely enjoyable after extending period taking care of the patient. At this time, society can make a justification that the family has a difficult time to keep the comatose in the extensive time because not only financial issues, but also a heavy emotional burden.

In conclusion, the family can give up the patient due to those obstacles. The chance for the patient come out of comais very low. Even more, life is worthless to those lose the brain functions. Also, in reality, the expensive medical costs is opposite with the family’s ability. The most important factors is the family has emotional hard time to see the patient. For both of the family and the comatose, remove the artificial equipment is permitted.